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The first two listed foreign references each show a heating apparatus including a fuel source. For the remaining non-English language references, an English language abstract obtained from a database provider is included herewith.

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